

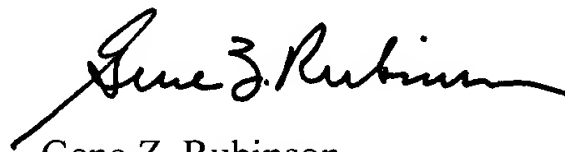
REMARKS

The present Amendment presents changes only to claim 9. These changes were proposed by Examiner Clark in a telephone conference on June 23, 2004. Ms. Clark stated that the proposed changes clarified the invention to avoid possible indefiniteness and requested authorization to make the changes by Examiner's Amendment. The courtesy and assistance of Ms. Clark is appreciated. In the time period during which the client's authorization was sought, the application was allowed without the amendment. Applicant's delay in obtaining authorization is regretted. Entry of this amendment is respectfully solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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